

Office of Law Enforcement *in Vermont*

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Purpose

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement in Vermont ensures compliance with federal wildlife laws protecting endangered plants and animals, migratory birds, certain marine mammals, fishes and other species throughout the state, at checkpoints along the Vermont/Canadian border. It also carries U.S. enforcement obligations under international agreements. These laws and agreements include:

African Elephant Act
Airborne Hunting Act
Archeological Resources Protection Act
Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act
Endangered Species Act
Exotic Wild Bird Act
Lacey Act
Marine Mammal Protection Act
Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp Act
Migratory Bird Treaty Act
National Wildlife Refuge Act
Recreation Act

Enforcement Activities

Wildlife Inspectors

- Check documents, licenses and permits at ports of entry
- Inspect shipments to ensure that protected species are not illegally imported or exported.

Criminal Investigators

- Investigate alleged violations of federal fish and wildlife laws protecting migratory birds, bald eagles and threatened and endangered species.
- Investigate illegal interstate commerce in fish and wildlife and related products.
- Work undercover, conduct surveillance, make arrests and prepare court cases.
- Assist in resolving law enforcement problems on national wildlife refuges.
- Investigate fish and wildlife deaths caused by contaminants.
- Make presentations about wildlife law enforcement to other agencies and respond to inquiries about federal laws.



The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

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